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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Carbonell et al.
Serial No.: 09/619,993
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For: METHOD AND COMPOSITIONS FOR PROTECTING CIVIL INFRASTRUCTURE

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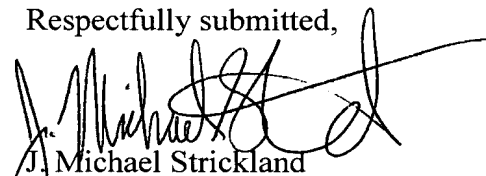
This response is submitted in reply to the Official Action dated June 15, 2001 ("the Action"). In the Action, the Examiner requested a restriction/election for:

- I. Claims 15-22, drawn to a composition useful for protecting civil infrastructure.
- II. Claims 23-32, drawn to a method of protecting a civil infrastructure substrate.

Applicants hereby provisionally elect, with traverse, Claims 15-22. Applicants traverse this restriction requirement on the basis that all claims can be searched and examined by the Examiner without serious burden. MPEP 803.

Applicants respectfully submit that this application is now in condition for substantive examination, which action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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